TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1840 - HB 1855

March 19, 2014

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Creates a new cause of action for physical invasion of privacy or for attempting to capture a visual image, sound recording, or other impression of a person engaging in personal or familial activities. Persons in violation of the section shall be liable for general damages, special damages, and treble damages. Creates exception for the lawful activities of law enforcement officials during an investigation, surveillance, or monitoring.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014255): Adds exception to application of the proposed legislation for employees of the established news media.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

• According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, any impact to the courts' caseload can be accommodated within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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